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The reply filed on 07 September 2001 and 15 October 2001 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The format of the amendment is improper. Applicant is requested to resubmit the amendment in the following format: (1) The substitute specification, which included claims, did not reflect the amendments to the claims; (2) the amendment to the claims received on 07 September 2001 did not contain the parenthetical expression of "(Amended)" or "(New)" for each of the claims that was amended or that was added; (3) the two aforementioned responses resulted in the addition of two claims that are numbered "57." Applicant is also invited to carefully consider (1) the dependencies of claims that depend from each of said claims 57; (2) where antecedent support for "biological" as found in "said biological sample" can be located (see claims 11 and 64); and (3) the metes and bounds of "several" as found in claim 67. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Bradley L. Sisson whose telephone number is (703) 308-3978. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday from between the hours of 6:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, W. Gary Jones, can be reached on (703) 308-1152. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 305-7230.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-1234.

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